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Mr. Greg Booth
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Dear Greg,

I agree with the position taken by Leslirae Rotor and Chris Brown that the need for more research regarding environmental sensitivities is not an acceptable excuse by authorities for allowing continued discrimination and abuse of persons with sensitivities.

I urge you to support the following statement provided in Chris' letter and to write a letter to the federal Minister of Health, including this statement:

"We encourage research into the field of environmental sensitivities, exploring the many causes, diagnostic methods, and etiologies that would seem to be involved. However, we do not feel that our support for more research should be interpreted as a reason to hesitate in providing, to physicians and the public, Mr. Greg Booth, October 19, 1995, Page 2

what information is already available, using diagnostic and treatment methods already recommended by government studies and reports, and taking such basic steps as providing reasonable accommodation for this disability in health care facilities, or respecting the needs of children with this disability in schools, and so on."

You may wish to reword this statement, in conjunction with Leslirae and Chris, but I feel very strongly that it is essential that we as a consumer organization stand up and tell the government that enough is enough. It is time for action and for help for persons with sensitivities.

I hope you will agree and will put this as a number one priority item on your "to do" list.

Please let me know what you decide to do on this very important issue.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Stutt,

National Vice President and National Education Chair

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